

PA-AAU JR CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Photo 8-16



Top 10 finishers in the PA-AAU Jr. (under 20) Cross Country Championships. L-R: Jerry Tucker, Mitch Kingery, Dave Stock, Jerry Emory, Ron Fritzke, Steve Palladino, Hal Schulz, Tim Homes, Roy Kissin, and Henry Perez (the winner). Order of race finish is from right to left.

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On December 13th at Belmont, Henry Perez, National JC record-holder in the steeplechase and fresh off a victory at the California State JC X-Country Championships, disposed of all the other “young guns” at the Junior District Meet (under age 20). Downey High junior Tim Holmes hung with Perez for about 2 ½ miles, then Perez just moved away. Roy Kissin, last year’s PA-AAU Champ, caught the fading Holmes with about 1 ½ miles to go, and that’s the way they finished. Hal Schulz of Redwood High was next in line. Super-sophomore Rod Berry, only 15-years-old (and Schulz’s teammate at Redwood), took thirteenth, besting several top collegians in the process.³⁸

Top Twenty Finishers

1 - Henry Perez/Sund TC	31:58	11 - Bob Miller/CW	33:57
2 - Roy Kissin/WVTC	32:52	12 - Mike Smith/PAMA	34:00
3 - Tim Holmes/WVTC	33:05	13 - Rod Berry/WVTC	34:02
4 - Hal Schulz/WVTC	33:17	14 - Bob Barnett/CW	34:25
5 - Steve Palladino/CW	33:22	15 - Joe Cordova/Sun	34:31
6 - Ron Fritzke/CW	33:32	16 - Mike Emry/PAMA	34:44
7 - Jerry Emory/CW	33:40	17 - Harold Celms/Stanfd	34:48
8 - Dave Stock/WVTC	33:44	18 - Dave Hull/CW	34:51
9 - Mitch Kingery/CW	33:54	19 - Steve Watkins/Un	34:52
10 - Jerry Tucker, Jr./Sun	33:55	20 - Craig Corey/WVTC	35:06